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Soviet Supply Installations in the Fuerstenwalde Area

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ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

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1. On 18 April 1951, five railroad cars with ammunition boxes in the size of about 120 x 80 x 20 cm were unloaded on a ramp of the Fuerstenwalde (N 53/V 33) railroad station. The boxes were then picked up by a convoy of 16 to 18 trucks which had arrived from the direction of Berkenbrueck.

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(1) The unloading detail of 25 men wearing red-bordered black epaulets was accompanied by a captain and two lieutenants.

2. On 6 May 1951, a medical unit and a medical supply depot were observed in seven blocks of the Luftwaffen Kaserne at Fuerstenwalde airfield. Soviet civilians employed at the depot were quartered in a large wooden building behind three blocks. The workshops of the medical unit are located in the southern section of the barracks installation. Surgical instruments are manufactured and first-aid kits packed there under the supervision of Soviet civilians. (2) The farm located at the northeastern edge of the barracks installation is used by the medical outfit for an animal farm.
3. A supply depot is housed in the hangars of the airfield. Trucks belonging to various branches of service were observed there picking up stationary, linen and quartermaster equipment. (3)
4. Eight German precision mechanics were employed in the airfield administration building between the hangars. Details on the work of these mechanics are not available. (4)

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5. Shipments arriving at the Engineer Depot Unit included four carloads of river-crossing boats each with a capacity of 50 men from Netzschkau (N 51/K 13) on 7 May and three carloads of machine parts, also coming from Netzschkau, on 10 May. Allegedly the latter shipment had been eagerly expected for some time. (5)

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Comments.

- (1) It is believed that this ammunition shipment was dispatched to the ammunition depot east of Fuerstenwalde, which belongs to the Fourth Gds Mecz Army.

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- [REDACTED]
- (2) Confirms the medical depot [REDACTED] on the southern edge of an old airfield.
- (3) This depot is believed to belong to an AAA unit of the Fourth Gds Army quartered in the same complex of buildings.
- (4) The German precision mechanics may be employed for work on the surgical instruments of the medical depot.
- (5) The pinpoint location of the engineer park, possibly there are two of them, has not yet been determined.
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